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DR. BRANDT, Hitler's personal doctor, living in building near Chancellory

Young Brandt is a rabid Nazi who is very close to Himmler. I don't think there is anything he would refuse to do for Himmler.

Brandt and his wife live in the special building which Hitler had erected on the Hermann Goering Street side of the old Chancellory garden for the men of his bodyguard and Dr. Brandt. Most of the bodyguard men are rather simple fellows and their wives are of simple origin too. The Brandts are the only family "of academic" standing, in the building and they do feel pretty superior to their neighbors, though they must try to hide it for the sake of the "spirit of national community".

Brandt and a Himmler Schutz Staffel leader Brack zur Linden are the men whom Hitler placed in charge of the mercy killings. Dr. Brandt has a hand-written letter from Hitler authorizing him to take all necessary "health measures". At times Brandt was terrified of his own deeds - but then he gets consolation out of the fact that he is merely taking orders and thinks that will absolve him of his crimes.

Brandt is also supposed to be a member of the "Association for Eugenics and against infant mortality" (Gesellschaft fuer Eugenik und gegen die Kindersterblichkeit) - but my informants were not absolutely sure about this. This society does not only do what it professes to do, but it has been known to remove children from nursing homes without any explanation and the children were never seen again. In some cases the parents got the ashes of the children. The children were removed by the same company which had removed the victims of mercy killings and which had organized the transport of German soldiers to Spain at the time of the Spanish war. It had its headquarters in the Columbus Haus, Potsdamer Platz 1, quite close to the home of Dr. Brandt.

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